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The trial of Mr. Buford, in Kentucky, proves, beyond a doubt, that some, at least, of the actions of the prisoner's life could not have been the result of the work of a mind sound in all its parts, and that the murder for which he is now being tried was ucquestionably a crazy freak. The question, however, that springs out of this trial, and that society is more interested in than in the particular fate of Mr. Buford, is what is the proper course to be pursued toward the whole class of people to which that unfortunate man belongs, and which classis evidently much larger than is generally imagined. In most of their actions they are guided, apparonly, by metives similar to those which influence their fellow men, and resort to sensible means to effect their objects, but in others their impulses seem to be derived from, and be controlled by, the very spirit of unreason. It would certainly be hard that a man seemingly able to take care of bimself should be killed or confined for life because a few of his actions exhibit symptoms of insanity, but it certainly is harder on the people daily exposed to the senseless violance of such characters that men of the class to which Buford belongs should be allowed to go at large and whole communities be thereby daily limble to such deplorable disasters as the murder of Judge Eliott.

Expiting news is scarce new, but, as no other sort attracts the large body of American readers, the newspapers are called upon to evolve the required supply from their own inwardness, and that they are fully equal to the occasion is proved by the recently reported outrage case in Baltimore. The statement that a same and able bedied young woman could be approached in the street by an entire stranger and obloreformed, against her will, and then have sufficeat control over her actions to get on a public street car, behave herself so properly as not to attract attention, and walk to a lonely wood, where the alleged orime was committed, doesn't beer the semblance of truth to those even unfamilar with the administration and effects of at tembeties; but the character of the reported cutrage and the details of its particulars ob sourcd its lack of reason to the general reader and sufficed to secure the account of it a large circulation.

Aphilles, doubtless, was mad when he remained in his tent, rejected the terms of reconciliation effered him by Agamemnon, and allowed the Greeks to make their attack upon Troy without his assistance and be repulsed, but we didu's write so yesterlay, in our article on the political campaign in Ohio. We wrote that he was moodily moping, but the compositor, who remembered the cause of the difficulty, naturally supposed that a man whose sweetheart had been taken away from him would be angry, and so made us say be was madly moping.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Weeping skies make blushing roses -but they won't weep.

'Quite a good deal' is a phrase now in vogue among the T. B. T.

The inventive genius of the nation seems to be expending itself at present on fly trars.

Ashville, N. C., is becoming famous as a res rt, fer consumptives. It is nearer than Colorado.

The report of Commissioner Pellard of crops, stock, labor, reads, &c., in this State for June, has been received.

Some young [?] ladies were made uneasy a fow days ago by being told that there was "much sickness among the children."

For the benefit of those young persons who thought that Elison's having been made a "Pb. D." meant that the great inventor was an acknowledged fool, we refer them to Worces ter's Dictionary, which explains the quotation

to mean a Doctor of Philosophy. An old lady of our acquaintance recently sent her married son a set of clothes suitable for newborn infacts, but as there was no baby in the house he oculd not see the appropriateness of the donation. The same old lady last Christmas Day presented this son with a pair of white linen pantaloons, with the wish that he might have a merry Chrisimas and a happy New

Year. This is authentic. While the business of the world goes on during the summer months it is difficu't to understand why all church work should lag or stop. Ding does not seem to be confined to the months of pleasant weather; sickness is not to New River, where a large force of negroes banished because of the heat, and souls are as well worth winning and helping in July as in Ostober. We might add that warm weather does not seem to interfere with the travels of the devil up and down the world to trip up the ley some time since, and also for l'eek's whipunwirg, and to surprise saiots that may be napping.

# Greenback Convention.

ALTOONA. PA., July 15.-The National Greenback Labor party of this State held its convention here to day. Thomas A. Armstrong, of Allegheny county, was elected tem porary chairman by acolamation. Congressman Soth H. Yocum, of Penns., made a speech, in which he condemned both the republican and democratic parties as the common foes of na-

## Judaism.

NEW YORK, July 15 .- For two years a movement has been on foot among the Rabbies of America to bring themselves into closer union for the purpose of more efficient and harmonious action in promoting the welfare of Judaism. This movement culminated here on Saturday last in the organization of the Rabbinical Literary Association of Americs. The President of the Association is Dr. M Lilienthal.

A grand fete was given in Paris yesterday by the central committee in aid of the amnestied communists. Victor Hugo and Lou's Blane returned to their work at Coal Valley .- N. Y. were present.

FRO.T WISHING TO.Y. Special Correspondence of the Alexa. Gazette.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 15, 1879.

The reiteration this morning by the avowed

republican paper of this city of the report pub lished in the democratic paper yesterday to the effect that Col. Boyd Edelic, an ex Confederate, had been appointed to a prominent position in the engineering department of the army, induced an enquiry concerning its correctness at the engineer department, where it was stated that upon the best information obtainable at that office no such appointment has yet been made, though, notwithstanding the improbability of its truth, inasmuch as Col. Edelin was not an applicant for the position mentioned, but for a clerkship in the department, the report was not emphatically denied, as such an appointment could have been made by the Secretary of War or by Col. Wheeler, who is in charge of the surveys. No information, however, of such an appointment has yet been received at either the War Department or at the engineering bureau of that Department. There is no doubt that Secretary McCreary has of late made several appointments at the instance of prominent democratic senators, for the purpose, it is openly stated by his coemies, of securing the votes of said democrats for his confirmation as circuit judge next winter, and as both Senators White and Lamar have urged Elelin's appointment it is still suspected, notwithstanding the denials alluded to, that the Colonel, who is well qualified to make an efficient officer, will soon receive an appointment of some sort. That he has not yet received one, however, is beyond a doubt. In this connection it may not be amiss to observe that if Secretary Sherman can appoint the notorious Mrs. Jenks to a riscoure \$1800 office, Mr. McCreary ought certainly be allowed the privilege of appointing an honorable and efficient man to a less lucrative and really laborious position, even though he did nearly twenty years ago, when comparatively a boy, as many other generous and chivalrous boys from Maryland did, take the part of the South and lose their fortunes and risk their lives in support of the cause of as idealistic and chival-

rie a pation as ever had existence. The contest for the vacancy occasioned by the death of the late Judge Humphries, of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, is waxing as warm as the weather, and much more furious. As stated yester lay Mr. Thomp son, of Pennsylvania, has the inside track in the race of those who are considered outsiders, but none of that class are looked upon as likely to obtain the appointment unless their services in the approaching election campaign ir considered important. The members of the bar here are active in their exertions to have either one of themselves or a Maryland lawyer, who of course, will be familiar with District laws, appointed, but it seems impossible for them to select a man upon whom to centre. They held a meeting for that purpose this morning, but were as far from achieving their purpose at its adjournment as they were before they were called to order. Among the aspirants for the jedenship are Messre, Francis Miller and II. II. Wells, both of whom formerly lived in Alexandria.

Tho latest Presidential ramer is one to the effect that should the contest between Grant, Sherman and Blaise in the national remblican convention threaten a dead look, ex-Senator Ramsay, of Minnesota, will be fallen upon as the Moses who will lead the republician out of their difficulties. Neither Mr. Conkling, nor his candidate, Mr. Window, is spoken of in connection with the nomination.

I heard this morning, for the first time, that the Tontine restaurant, Cooney's famous res taurant in Alexandria, is advertized for asle in one of the Baltimore papers.

### FOREIGN NEWS.

Robert Udail & Sop, in rehants, of Manches. England, have failed. The liabilities are stated at £45,000.

All the members of the Orleans family met in Geneva on Saturday last. The object of the meeting is not stated.

It is depied that Russia will take East Roumelia as indemnity for her war claims against Tarkey. Nothing more is heard about the Khedive.

It is reaffirmed that the Turemacs, who would oppose the Russian scheme of diverting the river Oxus from its present course into the Ural into its old course into the Ca-pian Sea, are fuinished with British rifles.

The Paris Franco declares that the United States are in favor of a treaty of commerce with Frande, but not on the basis of a free trade. In any case no treaty will be made with the United States until that now under negotiation

with England is concluded. The Budget Committee of the French Chamber of Deputies and a Senatorial Committee have pronounced in favor of France taking active part in opening up Central Africa. commission to examine the project for uniting Algeria and Senegal to the Soudanby railroad has been appointed. It includes M. D. Liesers, various Senators and Deputies and a number

Fight Between White Men and Regroes.

GREENBRIER, WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, junes. W. VA., July 14.-Details of stirriou secues through which the people of Hinton, W. Va., have passed have just been received here. For several days past the negroes about Hinton have been gessipping in a manner derogatory to the character of a young white lady, who is the affiacced of Mr. Lynnie Peck, a popular em-ploye of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad at Hioton. Last Friday evening Peck overheard three perro men using the young lady's name lightly, and he immediately gave each of them a thorough cowhiding. Later at night eight pegroes attacked Peck, declaring their determination to hang him. Peck escaped them and was soon joined by citizens and railroad men to

the number of seventy five.
This party commanded by C. Mayhugh, an engineer of the Chesapenke and Ohio Road, famous for his daring, made a raid on the pegroes and drove them out of town, several harmless shots being fired. Saturday reports were in circulation that the negroes had gone are employed by government in removing obstructions from the river, to obtain reinforesments, and the announcement was made that they were coming back to hang Peck in retaliation for the banging of Mart Lee at Coal Valpicg the three men. When this report was received the whites sent to Coal Valley for 50

white miners to come up and help them. About dark Saturday night a band of negroes, one hundred or more strong, came up from the river, commanded by a noterious desperado oalled Captain Dick America. They marched about town in regular military style, being com manded by Captain Dick in loud tones. They cursed, bellowed and made hideous noises like a band of savages, and vowed they would hang

Peck before midnight. The miners, 75 strong, who had been sent for arrived on the 9 o'cleck train from Coal Valley. nd having joined Peck's friends at the depot in Hinton marched upon the negroes who flad pre-cipitately at the first and only vollay. Ten ne-groes were caught, stripped of their clothing, tied to trees and were well but not cruelly whip ped and then turned locse. The white men made every effort to capture Capt. Dick America, but failed. They openly avowed their in-

tention of lycohing him had be been caught. The miners remained in Ilicton all day vestorday and until this morning, when, the negroes making no further demonstrations, they MEWS OF THE DAY.

W. E. Chandler thinks peither Grant por Sherman will be nominated, but that Blaine or Zich Chaudhr will.

No new cases of yellow fever in the Mississippi Valley, and one of the Memphis sufferers reported in quarantine at New York.

The funeral of ex Gov. William Allen took dwellings were draped in mourning.

and died in 20 minutes.

The Central Pacific Railroad Company is spot. And thus may it ever be! building a morster ferry boat to ply between Martinez and Benicia. She is 424 feet long. and has four railroad tracks on her deck, with this place. Currieman is in Westmereland room to transport 48 freight cars or 24 passen ger coaches.

In the U. S. Circuit Court at New York, vesterday, Judge Wallace denied the motion or a new trial of James A. Whalen against Gen. Philip Sheridan, for \$500,000 for trespass on Whalen's plantation while Sheridan was commanding the gult department, and which resulted in a verdict for Sheridan.

A terrible bail storm passed over Wells's River, Vt., and vicinity, yesterday evening, lasting fifteen minutes, tollowed by a thunner storm. Some hailstones were two inches in diameter. Crops and vegetation were destroy ed. Window glasses in one third of the houses were shivered. Large trees were uprooted, buildings uproofed, and a barn blown ever. A similar sterm tere things to pice's around Woodsville, N. H. All through New England during the day the weather was intensely hot, but after the storm the temperature was pleas

During the past week the girls employed in brillard's tobacco factory, in Jersiy City, have been attacked by a mysterious disease, causing great alarm and many exciting rumers. The excitement has been heightened by a rumor that the girls who were taken sick had been working on some tobacco that had been stored in New Orleans during the prevalence of the yellow fever last summer, and that the siekness was eccasioned by the liberation of the germs of that disease, which had impregnated the tobacco. The physician in regular attendance at the factory attributes the sickness to the warm weather, immoderate use of ice water and eating improper food.

### VIRGINIA NEWS.

Upwards of \$1,300,000 of the State debt has so far been refunded. Col. James Twymau, a leading citizen of

Madison county, died last week. Col. Samuel A. Swang, superintendent of

the Virginia ponitentiary, is quite ill. Major R. W. N. Noland has been appointed emperary clerk in the State Treasurer's office. Mrs. Dr. Smith died is Richmond on San-

John Amb'er Smith. The Lynchburg Agricultural and Michanical Society has decided against having a fair this

fall, as it had a spring fair. A colored Methodist church at Walliceton, Norfolk county, known as Ridgeville Church, was destroyed by incendiarism Saturday night.

Mr. Frank G. Ruffin has been appointed a clerk in the State Treasurer's office, vice E. J. Harvie, e.q., resigned to accept a clerkship in the War Department at Washington.

An eminent citizen of Norfolk, Dr. W. M. Wilson, died yesterday, He carried on the drug business, and occupied for several years the position of physician to the city, and during the late war served as a surgeon.

Judge Moneure is unable to atten account of ill bealth. While his general health is not seriously impaired, his physician and Much that I was shown was simply a renewal friends have advised him, that after the ex- of acquaintanceship of years long agone, yet I hausting labors of the late Richmond term, it learned semething new. The inscriptionwas necessary he should erjoy a period of rest and recreation.

ber getters.

Some excitement was oreated in Harrisonof a large stone building, known as the old iail. and occupied by a number of colored families. The stricks and grosss of the occupants of the house caused almost the entire population to assemble, but an examination displesed the fact that no one was either killed or seriously injured. One infant was found in bed, nearly emothered with laths and mortar, and an old colored man went down from an upper room in the midst of falling walls, with a child in his arms, and both escaped with but slight in-

The Riebmond and Alleghamy Company hav ing failed to comply with the terms of the contrae; for the purchase of that line, the president of the caus! has advertised for purchasers under the supplemental bill passed by the Legislature last wieter. The New York bondholders, it seems, wanted to sell their bonds outright, and receive the money for them and not receive a certain proportion as the proposed line was constructed. The rai road may yet be sble to effect such arrangements with the crediters as will enable them to control the bonds and become the purchasers of the canal under the last bill, but this seems hardly likely.

A REMARKABLE PROPHECY.-Mrs. Lidia Maria Child, the authoress and anti slavery agitator, is now 77 years old, and lives at her old house in Wayland, Massachusatts. In the course of a recent conversation with a writer is the Beston Herald she spoke of Garrison as a firm believer in spiritualism, and added: "Whittier admits that there is something very mysterious and unexplained in it. He told me that there was an old quaker whom he saw when he was a lad, who was renowned for his prophecies. He very often spoke under the standing of the case to declareinfluence of the spirit. Whittier sent me a copy of a prophecy made by the cld man in 1803. It began by foretelling a great split in the church, which would commerce with the Prestyterians, and it would include the Friends. We have since seen the Presbyterisus divide, and the Hickeite trouble among the Quakers. Then the old prophet said he saw a great trouble about the slavery question which would end in a war and emancipation. He foresaw finally a grand gathering of the churches into an established church and ruled by it. And he church. And he saw also a military despotism of the country, though this would only be for a while. Now, this was a remarkable prophecy, and all but the lest two statements have been faifilled.

SCENES IN THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE -In the Texas House of Delegates last Saturday an altereation and fight occurred between Representatives Ashbel Smith and Bob Taylor. Both are old gentlemen. Smith being nearly 80, and a democrat, while Mr. Taylor is the republican leader in the House. Dr. Smith kicked Tay. lor. There was a great uprozr when Smith hallowed to Speaker Cochrane: "I was only hallowed to Speaker Cochrane: "I was only forming friendships, in juvenile years, be on-illustrating the Governor's position of pay as abled to free themselves in a proper degree from

A Visit to the Birthplace of George Washington.

[Correspondence of the National Republican.] WAKEFIELD, WESTMORELAND CO, VA., July 10, 1879.- Here, by a lonely plateau, mid | the ruins of a one; spacious mansion, with the ships from the West Indies, and a few cases are solt, guiging waters of a limpid stream passing slowly by, the branches of the tail pine and stately cedar waving their melancholy requiemplac) yesterday merging from Fruit Hill, Chil- here, once the birthplace of George Washinglicothe, Onio. Business throughout the city ton, am I oow located, noting all and drinking was suspended and many business houses and in the improvious which the place and its mein the impirations which the place and its memeries so freely give. The sonnet of the lack, banker of St. Louis and largely interested in the sighing of the whippecrwill, the murmur-Dilacis coal mines, was overcome by heat at log of the waters, the plaintive whisperiogs of Carondelet, six miles below St. Louis yesterday | the gently waving foliage, fill with melanously, yet breathe the patriotism of the cherished Debuking from the steamer John W.

Thompson at Currieman, I took conveyance for county, situate upon a creek of the same name, and lies directly west of the Potomae river, and by a chaucel, about two miles distant. I; is the most convenient point to this place on the Potomac, though from Wirt's whatf, on Mattex Creek, also accessible to steamers of light draught, the distance is much shorter, being only two miles by fact path and six miles by eatriage road, while from Currioman the dis tance is about cleven miles. Eight miles of this route are by the county road and the remairing three are by the unpretending farm road. From Tubman's store, on Nomici Creek, there is also a read-farm and county-but it is by that route sixteen miles. Currioman in many respects is the preferable point from which when leaving the steamer to take cenand over a sandy, dusty, undulating road I hied me here. Nothing is left of what evidently was once a comferable massion but the ruins of the foundation of brick and stone. A brick chimpey that had been attached to the kitchen crumbled in and fell a twelve month since, and he last standing vestige of the early home of Washington disappeared. Withinin the found ation and down in the cavity a fig tree loxuri ates and bears its fruit in due season. All the land round and about is plowed up, and save in the immediate vicinity of the rules, is used for preduction. One hundred and fitty yards off is Pope's Creek, a pleasant little stream, in width from 50 to 200 yards, and in which pike, perch, rock, herriag, and others of the finny ribe abound. On a small island in the middle of the creek and a short distance below the house stands a hut, ia which lives one Samuel Cocke. Solitary and alone his hermit life has charms for him which will keep him there until

bis death. The owner of Wakefield is Mr. John E Wil sou, who resides about one and a half miles dis tant, and who is the pearest neighbor to the ruins save the solitary hermit alluded to. The village of Montross you pass through, if on the way to Wakefield via Tubman's store, but upon coming here from Currioman you leave that village a couple of miles on your right. Seven miles distant is the Rappabannock river-a fair road leading to it, but no shipping point ner enveniently reached. And, what is soon what remarkable to state, is the fact that the maprity of the citizens of this county, though but few miles distant, have never been near the spot. One gentleman with whem I was conversing frankly, but evidently with shame, told me, though living but ten miles off, he had never in his life visited it. I fear much for the patrictism of the country with such as this; but yet perhaps its contiguity was sufficient, and with the stiff westerly breeze he could breathe the fragrance of the piacs as they waved over the raiss, and from thence draw patriotic inspiration. Let us hope so.

fter a pleasant passage was duly landed, and, gion of the Cours of Appea's at Wytheville on under the genial care of Col. Hollingsworth, the superintendent, shown around the grounds.

ELIZA P. CUSTIS.

August 21, 1792, For several days fierce fires have been raging out by that lively young lady with a dismond in various parts of the Dismai Swamp caused upon a window in her bed room, gave tise to by the protracted drought and large quantities | very pleasant thoughts, and the wonder how it of cord wood and valuable timber have been could so long have escaped observation, being destroyed. On Sunday the flames seemed to only discovered a few months ago. A chat be greatly increased near Perismouth and the with Nathan, the steward, Esau, and other smoke hung in huge masses over the city all servants, veritable descendants of the domesday. The soil of the swamp has barned in ties of Washington's family, was also interest some places 20 feet below the surface. Units; ing. But to make this letter more complete I there is rain soon the destruction of property obtained a copy of the patriot's will, one porin the swamp region will be serious to the tim | time of which I here give, to show the wonder ful foresight of the mao, and how his prophetic vision discerned in the grand futurity, as yet burg ou Sunday night by the tumbling down unveiled, the prosperity of the country, and the dangers which would menace is from sectional interests, sectional prejudices, hates, and paisions. After providing for his wife and family and for the establishmens of a free school at Alexandria for the education of poer orphan children, comes the following, verbatim :

ITEM-Whereas by a law of the Common-wealth of Virginia, enected in the year 1785, the Logislature thereof was pleased (as an evidence of it's approbation of the services I had rendered the public during the Revolution-and partly. I elieve in consideration of my having suggested the vast advantages which the community would derive from the extension of its Inland navigation, under Legislative patronage) to present me with one hundred shares, of one hundred dollars each, in the incorporated company established for the purpose of extending the navigation of James River from tide water to the mountains; and with also lifty shares of one hundred pounds sterling each in the corporation of another company likewise established for the similar purpose of opening the navigation of the River Potomac from tide water to Fort Cumberland; the acceptance of which, although the offer was highly honorable and grateful to my feelings, was refused, as inconsistent with a principle which I had adopted, and had never departed from, namely not to receive pecuniary compensation for any services I could render my country in it's arduous struggle with Great Britain for it's Rights; and tecsuse I had evaded similar propositions from other States in the Union-adding to this refusal however an intimation, that, if it should be the pleasure of the Legislature to permit me to appropriate the said shares to public uses, I would receive them on those terms with due sensibility-and this it having consented to in flattering terms, as will appear by a subsequent law and sundry resolutions, in the most amile and honorable manner, I proseed after the recital for the more correct under-

That as it has always been a source of serious regret with me to see the youth of these United State cent to foreign countries for the purpose of education, often before their minds were formed or they had imbibed any adequate ideas of the happiness of their own, contracting too frequently not only habits of dissipation and extravagence, but principles unfriendly to Re-publican Governm't and to the true and genuine liberties of mankind, which thereafter are rarely overcome. For these reasons it has been my ardent wish to see a plan devised on a liberal scale, which would have a tendency to spread systamatic ideas through all parts of this rising empire, saw the Society of Friends paying tribute to this | thereby to do away local attachments and State prejudices as far as the nature of things would, or indeed, cught to admit from our national councils. Looking anxiously forward to the accomplishment of so desirable an object as this is (in my estimation) my mind has not been able to contemplate any plan more likely to effect the measure, than the establishment of a university in a central part of the United States, to which the youth of fortune and talents from all parts thereof might be sent for the completion of their education in all the branches of polite literature in arts and sciences-in acquiring knowledge in the principles of politics and good government-and (as a matter of infinite importance in my judgement) by associating with each other and

which have just been mentioned and which when carried to excess are never failing sources of dis-quietude to the public mind and pregnant of

mischierous consequences to this country—under these impressions so fully dislated. ITEM-I give and bequeath in perpetuity the fifty shares which I hold in the Potomee Company (under the storesaid Acts of the Logisla. ture of Virginis) towards the endowment of a University to be established within the limits of the District of Columbia, under the auspices of the General Government, if that Government should incline to extend a festering hand towards it-and until such sominary is ostablished, and the funds arising on these shares shall be requirof for its support, my further will and desire is that the prefit accruing therefrom shall when-ever the dividends are made, be laid out in purchasing stock in the Bank of Columbia or some other Bank at the discretion of my Executors, or by the Treesurer of the United States for the time being under the direction of Congress. prcvided that Honorable body should patronize the measure. And the dividends proceeding from the purchase of such Stock is to be vested in more stock and so on until a sum adequate to the accomplishment of the object is obtained, of which I have not the smallest doubt before many years preses away, even if no aid or encouraged is given by Legislative authority or from any other source.

Unfortunately the propsed measure was re-.c.ed by Congress, and the James River navigation steek reverted back to the State of Vir-

The first extra session of the Ferth-lixth Congress, fraught with inconsistences and errers, of vacilation and traggadicio, did one patriotic set in making an appropriation to mark this the birth place of Washington, Three thouand dollars was the sum specified, and though small the amount, yet a tablet of seme kind can here be placed and the birthspot of our unselfish patriot noted. Let it, like Mount Version, the home of his maturer years, by the Maces of our people; and wather mid the classic shades by his ashes or by the lonely plateau at Wakefield, let the honest, pure, and usselfish patriotism there ones breathing be to us given, and the prayer ever accord to heaven, Mand the prayer ever accord to heaven, M.H.S. God Save the Republic.

### Drought-Morm-Crops-Robbery. Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazatte.

HEWLETTS, July 12 .- This has been a most unusual and damaging drought. The garders and pis uses have suffered mest, and consequently there is a scarcity of vegetables, milk and butter, not common to the season. Indeed the cattle look worse than I have ever seen them so early, or late, if you please, in the year. Last evening sluggish and sulky looking elculs began to gather along the north and west, and about 9 o'clock an occasional glimmer of lightning followed by deep toned distant thunder were seen and heard. In a short time the winds in hurried fitful gales swept by, and dark masses of angry clouds rolled up the north western heavens, recompanied with sheets of flyming lightning, which would hang and linger for thirty degrees along the horizon like curtains of living light. Then for an hour the wieds blew a tempest, the lightnings flashed in ceaseless cornscations and the thunders burst and rolled away in massive detonations. Suddenly the tempest slept, and the rain began landing near by which this place could be more | to fall in gentle showers, but the clouds were nearly all scattered and the dust was scarcely

The reports of the yield of wheat are very conflicting. The general impression is that neither in quality or quantity is it equal to a good erop. The oats have dried without fully maturing, and the corn is late and greatly injured, in places, by the worm. There is a mod crate stand of tobacco, which stands the drought

better than other crops. The burgler, Johnson, mentioned in your news notes a few days oge, rubbed a store at this place. I would have mentioned it before but feared it might obstruct his arrest. He got Before coming here I visited Monat Vernoe, under the house, only 18 inches from the The beautiful little steamer W. W. Corecrae | ground, on Saturday night, laid there all Sunconveyed me thence from Washington, and day, bering through the floor, and taking, say \$50 in money, boots, dry goods, knives, notions, &s., and bore them away during the following night. The whole thing was most reientifically arranged and adroitly managed. HANOVER.

Shooting Affray. NEW YORK, July S .- A special dispatch from Lake Providence, La., gives the particulars of the terrible shooting affray in that place on Wednesday evening fast, in which S. L. Austin, er, was killed outright, his son, the rarish judge, was mortally wounded, and an industrious colored man, W. H Smith, was killed by a stray It seems that Squire Lusk, a weak, sickly old man, but said to be totally insensible to fear, declined to speak to the elder Austin, a man 65 years of ago, and he threatened him with a knife. upon which Lusk drew his revolver and shot him dead. In the meantime young Austin, who is 28 years old, hearing that Lusk had killed his ather immediately shot at him. Lush returned A ustin's lire three times in quick succession, each that striking the unfortunate young man who retreated benind the stable to reload his weapon, and though fatally wounded returned to the conflict and fired at Lusk again, shooting wildly. It was one of these wild shots that killed the colored man who was crossing Lake street at the time. Ten or eleven shots were fired during the encounter. Lusk was untouched. He is now in prison closely guarded. Young Austin died on Saturday morning.

## Prince Napoleon.

LONDON, July 15 .- The Morning Post pub- ness. ishes the following :

"On Saturday the ex Empress Engene sent a message to Prisca Napaleon saying she would receive him, also his two sons, the Princes Victor and Louis, and the Princess Mathilde, at the conclusion of the funeral service at Saint Mary's Church. Upon leaving the church the Prices was seen to enter into an animated discu-sion with the Princers Mathilde. The latter at its termination proceeded to Camden place, while the Prince hurried into a carriage, saying a Londres! taking his son; with him. His reason for thus refusing to obey the Empress' wishes is difficult to imagine.'

GO TO NEWPORT YOUNG MAN .-- Her name is Miss Lotta Brown, and she is worth not less than five millions, and the fuony part of it is Should an epidemis put in its appearance trad that two months ago she was a poor governors ers as well as trade, might find it convenient to in a Chierge family, with lets to do and little in and cut of Alexandria, is a tax paper, is no to get. Showes born in the West in 1857, and just one year after her birth her father, bility of yellow fever, but does know there is a who had been unfortunate in business, disapt possibility, for it has been here before, and that peared and left his wife and daughter without it is only common prudence not to invite it. means of support. He never came back again, and his wife mouraed him as dead, and so recorded is in her family Bible. It was supposed that he had been murdered. Years passed on suaded that the people—the tax payers—wars and Lotta become a young weman, and, to the the city thoroughly cleaned, as promptly as credit of her mother and herself, she became an may be, will not begrude the money and are educated young woman; a person of refinement and culture. She taught in the district school of her western town for several years until her mother's death, and then accepted the position which she was filling when the news came to her that she was no longer a poor woman, dependent on her daily labor for her daily broad. but that she was a millionaire. He father, it appears, had not been nurdered, but had made his way to South America, and had by fortunate speculation accumulated a fortune, which was here to enjoy. This summer she proposes to spend a few of her many dollrs at Newport, and I predict that she will be the sensation of the eason .-- Cor. Com. Advertiser.

## The Hull Murder.

NEW YORK, July 15 .- It is stated that the ounsel for Christine Cox, indicted for the murder of Mrs. Hull, will conduct his defence on the theory that his assault was not fatal, and that Mrs. Hull was in a state of coma when the physicians held their post mortem examination. and that they really murdered the woman.

## Fire.

NEW ORLEANS, July 15 .- The building Nos. 16 to 28. Commercial Piece, was burned yes. terday. The less is estimated at \$30,000. A M. Hill's jewelry establishment was badly dam- ISHINGS ever before brought to this city; at sethose local prejudices and habitual jealousies aged by water, which was covered by insurance. ionishing low prices,

COMMUNICATED. The Holy Spirit as the Indweller. The above truth is often let slip by billiovers. Many of us are too slack observaing the trists

leges that are vouched us by our Heaverly Fother, and are satisfied to jox along through this world with our eyes half closed, and often shut, to numbers of joys and blessings that are ours for the asking. One of the blessings that is in store for all who will accept it, is this knowledge of the very presence in our bodies of this third person of the Trinity-the Com. forter. He is ours, to guard us from the wins of the devil; to repel all his advances-to tese; sancilly and fit us for the coming Kingdom of the Lord. He is the Gift of the Father and the Son, breathed out, as it were, upon a'l who believe in and love our Jesus. Now there is something tangible in this knowledge, something that has life; for, wherever you find a Christian who knows this truth and fives up to ir, then you see one who is ever at work for the Master; not only this, but it brings peace, joy, comfort to the soul. But man's works are vain, but Goa's? who can gainsay Him? "What saith the Scripture," "And I will pray the Father, and He shall size you another Comforter, that He may abide with you for ever, even the Spirit of Truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth Him not, peither knoweth Him; but ye know Him, for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you' John 14.b, 16 and 17.

The above words were spoken by our Lord a short time before His crusifixion; the hearts of the deciples were troubled, for the had just told them that He was about to leave them. No wonder they were sad, and to comfort them during His absence, He tells them of the Father's house, of the many much oas, of His going to prepare a place for them and of His coming again to receive them to Himself, to be with Him forever. But the Lind cannot leave them alone to battle the foe singly. He knows too well their weakness. Without Him they can do nothing. The fail of Peter and the for saking Ilim by all proces this -so He speak the words quoted. What gracious condessen sion on the part of God to dwell in man. Is this the word of God? Has He spoken

it? Then, dear reader, believe it, accept it. and be no longer a drene, but a worker, and in the winter of our pilgrimage, if spared, the honey will roll the sweeter under our tonguis. But there are those who will say, "We se knowledge that the Holy Chost descended up on the desciples on the day of Pentenost, but when have we the promise of the Gift ?

"If a man love Me, he will keep My words and My Father will love him, and We wil come usto him, and make Oar abode with him"-John 14; 23. "Neither tray I for these alone, but for them also which shall be lieve on Me through their word," that they a may be one; as Then, Father, are in Me, and I in Thee, that they may also be one in Ue: that the world may believe that Thou hast some Me"-John 17; 20 and 21. "In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, in whom also, after that ye believed, ye were scaled with that Holy Spirit of Promis; which is the carnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased po-sersion, unto the praise of His glory"-Ephes, 1; 13 and 14

If we have believed the Gospel news then are we sealed with that Hely Spirit of Premist, and, like the Ephesians, it is to us the carnest of our inheritance until the Kingtom is deemed, and we unite "nate the praise of 11:

glory. Another oversight we often make. We ask God, in our daily prayers, public and private, to send us the Holy Spirit, to baptise us alresh, to give us an outpouring, and like expressions, petitioning for what God, in the plainest words possible, tells us He has already given. Christian, this may be one of the rea sons why we are not more blessed, and why the power of the Spirit on the hearts of the un converted is not more felt. We have given Him. But an objection will be made by some one that Christ, in Lake 11th chap., xoi verse. taught the multitude that their Heavenly Father is more willing to give the Hely Ghes: to them that ask Him than earthly pacents are to give good gifts to their children. Yes, but when Jesus spake these words, the Comferter had not been sent. Christ had not yet arisen from the dead. He was still with them as the Guide, the Teacher, the Comforter and the Expounder of the Gespel of the Kingdom. 'Nevertheless, I tell you the truth. It is expedient for you that I go away; for, if I go not away, the Comferter will not come unto you. but if I depart I will send Him unto you."

After Jesus had risen from the dead, having finished the work the Father had given Him to do, He appeared unto the disciples when the eleven were with them, [Lake 24] and said to them ail: "And behold, I send the promise of My Father upon you, but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem upulye be coduct with power from on high." They obeyed, and in due from on high." time the postcoostal Hessing, the descent of the Holy Ghost, occurred, thereby fulfilling the promise; and it came from on high, signifying that it came from the Father. Christ in us makes the body dead because of sin, but the Spirit in us makes unalive because of righteens-

### [COMMUNICATED. Our "Very Clean" Town.

The writer remembers only too well with what surreme contempt the men in the trenches and works around Richmond and Petersburg looked down upon the congress wasting time upon a flig, when to all human seeming the days of that flag were numbered. He fears our Cay Council is laying itself open to the same reproach. If ever prompt action was needed

it is now. The Mayor and Board of Health carnestly ask action and Council acjourns without it. One member flitly contradicted the health officer, saying the town is very clear, and agitation of the matter wil drive trade away .alarmist, does not thick there is great proba-The statement of the Health Board is not too highly colored, as is patent to every one who uses his eyes-and his nose. The writer is per utterly dissettisfied with the bon action of couneil. The \$300 or \$400 is light weight in the

balacce with the city's health. It might not perhaps be pleasant to members 'to be called every day," but if the Mayor will at occa convene the two boards for action in the matter, he will have the hearty approval of the pecpie.

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